

GOOSE CREEK RECREATION

COMMISSION MEETING

November 4, 2019

Present

- Commission: Chairman Jerry Glass, Jennifer Condon, Milton Terre Jr., Lynn Greer, Jeff Reuer and Tim Baldwin.
- Staff: Recreation Director TJ Rostin & Recreation Superintendent Cheryl Heiselman
- Guests: City Council Member Gayla McSwain.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm by Chairman Jerry Glass.

Public Comments

No public comments

Minutes

Commissioner Greer made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2019 meeting; seconded by Commissioner Terre; all in favor.

Financial Reports

Commissioner Terre made a motion to approve the financial report for October 2019; motion was seconded by Commissioner Reuer; all in favor.

Recreation Director Rostin stated that the financial report looks like we have a negative balance, but we are waiting on end of the year tax revenue.

The second reading of the 2020 City Budget will take place at the City Council meeting next week.

Commissioner Terre presented an update on the balance of Commission account at Synovus for the period ending September 30, 2019. These are the funds from the Recreation Booster Club for future use for an accessible playground.

Commissioner Condon asked if there was any update on the sale of the Shannon Park property. No update currently.

Old Business

Chairman Glass updated the Commission on the appointment of Commissioners. He has been in contact with staff at the Governor's office. Tim Baldwin's appointment has been approved and the other appointments are in the process of being finalized.

New Business

Director's Report

- Fall Sports are winding down
 - Football ended last week, and soccer is finishing up this week
- Winter basketball has over 400 registered and evaluations are going on now
- Coaches & sponsors appreciation dinner was held last week. This was a new event and we are hopeful it will grow in popularity.
- Fall Festival was held October 5th; great event but parking was a challenge.
- Halloween Carnival was held October 26th; very popular community event.
- New Recreation Specialist to help in events and therapeutic programs is in the process of being hired.
- Maintenance staff is working on winterizing the fields and closing pool for the season.
- New this year – Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 14th.

Commissioner Greer inquired about plans for the Casey Center property and/or Boulder Bluff Park. Director Rostin stated he has renderings for Boulder Bluff Park, but no firm plans yet for the Casey Center property.

Commissioner Condon asked about the time frame for resurfacing the pool. Director Rostin stated that he plans to start work right after the first of January 2020.

Commissioner Condon inquired about different ways to charge the swim team for use of the pool. She suggested we look at changing from a flat fee to a per person fee and possibly include a membership to the pool for the swim team members with that fee.

Director Rostin will look at different ways to structure the fees: flat fee vs. per person vs including membership.

Commissioner Condon also stated we need to do a better job of marketing the pool so there are more memberships sold.

Other questions from Commissioner Condon for Director Rostin:

- Are there any plans to build a skate park? Not currently.
- Are there any plans for a dog park? At Boulder Bluff Park.
- How is the gardening project coming along? The group is still trying to get organized.
- Could we move the fence out on Field 4 at Felkel Field so we can host softball tournaments? That might be difficult to do because of the power pole located behind the fence and other logistical issues. It is not budgeted for at this time but will be looked at.
- Can we cover the batting cages? No, it is not in next year's budget but will be looked at for the future.

Adjournment

Commissioner Condon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 pm; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Terre, all in favor.

The next regularly scheduled meeting is December 2, 2019

Minutes approved, December 2, 2019 _____
Jerry Glass, Chairman